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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1576  
INFO AMEMBASSY CARACAS

C O N F I D E N T I A L MEXICO 5368

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGZC PARM, MX, UK  
SUBJECT: SOVIET ADHERENCE TO PROTOCOL II AND RELATED  
MATTERS

REF: STATE 080379

1. CHARGE MET WITH OPANAL SEC GEN APRIL 12 AND 14 TO DIS-  
CUSS SUBJECT OF REFTEL. SINCE SECOND MEETING WAS HELD AT  
SAME TIME AS PRESIDENT CARTER'S SPEECH BEFORE THE OAS,  
PARTICIPANTS WERE UNAWARE THAT CHANGE IN OUR POLICY  
TOWARD PROTOCOL I HAD JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED. CHARGE  
TELEPHONED GROS ESPIELL IMMEDIATELY ON RECEIPT OF THE NEWS.  
SINCE GROS WAS ON HIS WAY TO AIRPORT TO LEAVE MEXICO,  
THERE WAS NOT TIME TO DO MORE THAN CONVEY THE PRESIDENT'S  
ANNOUNCEMENT. GROS ESPIELL WAS DELIGHTED AND ENCOURAGED  
BY THE DECISION.

2. DURING MEETING CHARGE EXPLAINED US CONCERNS AS PER  
REFTEL ABOUT THE REPORTED PROPOSAL TO SOVIETS RE PROTOCOL  
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II. AMBASSADOR GROS CONFIRMED THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PRO-  
POSAL, AND THE COMPLETE ACCURACY OF US COMMENTS CONCERN-  
ING IT. HE STRESSED THAT IT WAS NOT A FORMAL PROPOSAL BUT  
SUGGESTION MADE INFORMALLY, VIA THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR, IN  
MEXICO TO BREAK THE IMPASSE RESULTING FROM SOVIETS' CON-  
TINUED REFUSAL TO CONSIDER SIGNING PROTOCOL II. HE HAD  
NOT PLANNED ANY FORMAL MEETING WITH THE SOVIETS UNTIL JUNE

AT THE EARLIEST. HE ADDED HE WAS QUITE SURE THE USSR WOULD SHOW LITTLE OR NO INTEREST IN THE PROPOSAL (WHICH HE CLEARLY IDENTIFIED AS GARCIA ROBLES' IDEA). MOST IMPORTANTLY, GROS STRESSED THAT HE WOULD NOT RAISE THE PROPOSAL AGAIN WITH THE SOVIETS IF IT WOULD CAUSE ANY BACKLASH IN THE US WHICH WOULD HINDER US ADHERENCE TO PROTOCOL I.

3. AMBASSADOR GROS ALSO STATED HE HOPED OPANAL AND THE USG COULD CONSULT IN THE NEAR FUTURE ON THE BEST WAY TO GET THE USSR TO ADHERE TO PROTOCOL II. SINCE GROS WILL BE IN NEW YORK MAY 8-10, WASHINGTON MAY 11-12, AND GENEVA MAY 12-24 (ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS WILL FOLLOW), CHARGE SUGGESTS THAT APPROPRIATE USG OFFICIALS MEET WITH GROS AT A SUITABLE TIME AND PLACE TO DISCUSS THE SUBJECT WITH HIM. CARACAS MEETING MIGHT ALSO BE APPROPRIATE TIME.

4. GROS ESPIELL IS, OF COURSE, ANXIOUS TO KNOW THE MAKE-UP OF THE US OBSERVER DELEGATION TO THE CARACAS MEETING WHICH BEGINS APRIL 19. HE REQUESTS THAT THE PERTINENT INFORMATION BE SENT TO EMBASSY CARACAS ASAP AND PASSED ON TO SENORA IRIS ACOSTA DE FAJARDO, OF THE FOREIGN POLICY DIRECTORATE, GOV FOREIGN MINISTRY, WITH WHOM HE WILL BE IN TOUCH.

5. PLEASE INFO EMBASSY MEXICO ON THE ABOVE. THOMPSON

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